

13. A large and fresh assortment of goods on hand. de21

THE BRITISH COLONIST

Tuesday Morning, Jan. 1, 1861.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

A PANIC.—On Sunday evening, about eight o'clock, we witnessed one of those singularly unaccountable rushes that will sometimes occur in any community, and in which every citizen will readily join, each fancying something indescribably dreadful has occurred, and each anxious to be the first on the spot. On the evening in question, while walking up Yates street, we saw in the middle of the street an Indian woman between two white men, running swiftly towards Wharf, and followed closely and silently by half a dozen aborigines, who acted, apparently, as a rear-guard to the fugitives. Hardly had they passed, and disappeared in the prevailing darkness, when along rushed a white man in his shirt-sleeves and without his hat, evidently the pursuer of those ahead. He too disappeared in the darkness, and just as he had got out of sight, some person on Government street cried, "Turn out! turn out!" In a moment the whole street was in commotion—excited men and women ran out of every dwelling and store; pale faces protruded from every window; and "What is it?" was asked by all. "Down this way," came from a leather-lunged chap in the centre of the street, as he started to run towards the Bay, and then the rush commenced. Men, women and children ran frantically along, choking up the sidewalks with their bodies—overthrowing all that stood in their way, or compelling them to turn and be borne along in the direction in which the supposed "dreadful scene" was being enacted. Nobody seemed to be aware of what was really the matter; but every one shouted according to his inclination, "fire," "murder," "Indian invasion," and all sorts of exciting cries. At last the foremost of the frantic crowd reached the corner of Wharf and Johnson streets, and there paused to take breath and look around for the cause of the excitement, but were unable to discover it. The Indian woman, her captors, the rear guard, and the avenger, had all disappeared; and slowly the multitude—their Sunday clothes well bespattered with mud—turned back and walked slowly homeward, evidently much disappointed at the bloodless termination to all the excitement. Who the parties in the middle of the street were, we could not, upon diligent inquiry, ascertain; but believe the affair to have been the result of a "lark" on the part of some graceless wags not having the fear of the laws of God or man before their eyes. Such a scene of confusion, however, we have seldom before witnessed; and it goes a long way to establish an excitable character for our townfolk.

MORE GUNPOWDER.—Notwithstanding the repeated remonstrances on the part of our citizens, the Hudson Bay Company continue to store powder away in the old magazine. Yesterday, about one thousand pounds were added to the five tons already stored therein. The new bill, granting a monopoly for ten years to any person patriotic enough to build a magazine, has passed; and now some individual is wanted to erect a suitable storehouse for the purpose—the Company, as one of the members of Assembly lately expressed it, "not feeling disposed to go to the expense at present." If the magazine belonged to private parties, it would have been leveled to the ground by order of the Government, long since; but as the immaculate corporation are the owners, they are allowed to retain it, because they "don't feel like building another." Verily, there is one law for the Hudson Bay Company, and another for the balance of the people in this colony.

CHARGED WITH STEALING FROM THE WRECK.—Capt. E. Hammond King yesterday arrested two citizens of Esquimalt, named Fabian Mitchell and Philip McEverly, on a charge of having stolen about \$500 worth of goods from the wreck of the Nannette. The accused, it is said, ran down to the wreck in the plunger White Squall, and having filled her with goods, took the same to Esquimalt and secreted them in their houses, where they were found yesterday by Capt. King. The prisoners were taken from on board the plunger in Esquimalt harbor, while on their way down for a second load. About fifty pairs of fine English Wellington boots, said to have been placed in the plunger, are still missing. Mitchell is a grocer, and McEverly keeps a restaurant at Esquimalt; and both have heretofore borne good characters.

SAN JUAN LIME COMPANY.—This company, having been formed, will proceed at once to the erection of a kiln capable of burning 500 barrels of lime a week. The stone is abundant, and produces the best article of lime we have ever seen or this coast. The company have extensive orders to fill from Portland and Victoria.

THE BOYS' BOAT RACE.—The boys of the Collegiate School have postponed their race till to-morrow morning. The boats will start from James' Bridge, and proceed around one of the buoys in the harbor back to the place of starting.

GREAT BILLIARD MATCH.—A game of billiards was played last evening, between Messrs. P. M. Backus and W. H. Robinson—1000 points aside. Robinson made 633 points to Backus' 339, when the latter gentleman made a run of six hundred and sixty-eight, and was declared winner by 367 points. Robinson's greatest run was 42 points. Both gentlemen displayed great skill during the progress of the game, which was closely watched by a large number of people.

THE WRECK.—The steamer Caledonia, on Sunday, ran down to the wreck of the Nannette, where it at present lies near Race Rocks. The sea was found making a clean breach over it, and owing to the prevalence of a heavy wind, the small craft were prevented from going alongside, and no work was done by the wreckers during the day. About \$30,000 worth of goods have so far been saved, and it is hoped that a great deal more may yet be obtained.

RACE TO-DAY.—A race for \$1000 will come off this afternoon over the Beacon Hill Course, between two fast nags. Mr. Fuller names g. g. "Butcher Boy," and J. A. Rice names c. g. "Jim." The race is for one mile—play or pay—and the horses will start at 2 o'clock, precisely.

LAUNCH OF A SCREW-STEAMBOAT.—The first screw-steamer ever built in our harbor will be launched to-morrow at 11 o'clock, from Laurel Point. She is intended to be run on the Sound, and between this port and New Westminster.

AUCTION OF DAMAGED GOODS.—To-morrow morning, at 11 o'clock, P. M. Backus, auctioneer, will sell a large amount of damaged goods saved from the wreck of the Nannette. The sale is important, and great bargains may be expected.

THE "OTTER."—This steamer arrived from New Westminster at midnight on Saturday. She brought about 20 passengers, and a small amount of gold dust. The news is unimportant.

RAFFLE OF A HORSE.—The horse "Nigger," raffled at McCann's saloon last evening, was won by J. A. McCrea—he having purchased the chance of one of the throwers (who had thrown 47) for \$100. The animal is well worth \$300, and is very fast.

VICTORIA THEATRE.—Manager Robinson informs us that he will open his new theatre—bearing the above title—in to-morrow evening. A fine bill will be presented, and we hope to see the house crowded.

TEA-MEETING.—A tea-meeting of the First Congregational Church will be held at Moore's Musical Hall to-morrow.

CITY TRADE REPORT.

TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 31, 1860.
Beyond a few small sales for local consumption, and the filling of some trifling orders from the other side, we noticed no movement in the market to-day or Saturday. Business generally among the jobbers may be said to be excessively dull; and we do not anticipate any change for the better before the first of February; when, should the river continue free from ice, some orders may be expected from above. The fine open winter we of Victoria are enjoying, is likewise experienced above; and from all accounts many of the larger companies will continue at work as long as the frosts hold off. Should we fall to have any very severe weather during the present month the consumption of goods and the receipts of dust will be much heavier than at any corresponding period since the first discovery of gold. Lard is firm and scarce at 24c for Alden's, and 25c for Jewell & Harrison's. China Sugar is steady at 8½¢ per lb. Flour is firm at previous rates, 8½¢ per bbl. Superfine Oregon 85; extra do. Golden Gate, 85 62½¢ per 55 lbs; self-rising is scarce and high. Barley continues at previously reported rates.

DIED.

In this city, Dec. 31st, of consumption, Emery Waters, aged 48.
Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend his funeral Tuesday morning, at 11 o'clock, from the residence of Mrs. Hays, Johnson street.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF VICTORIA, V. I.

ARRIVED.

Dec 29.—Schr Thames, Ogilvie, Nanaimo
Schr Caledonia, Frain, New Westminster
Schr H C Page, Oberg, New Westminster
Schr Lalla Rookh, Connick, Race Rocks
Dec 31.—Schr Bellevue, Maddox, San Juan
Schr Mary Anne, Jones, Race Rocks
Schr Alpha, Jenkins, Nanaimo
Schr Iro, Sullivan, Race Rocks
Sloop Petrel, Taylor, Port Townsend
Str Otter, Mouat, New Westminster
Schr Louise, ————, Port Townsend

CLEARED.

Dec 29.—Canoe Colonial, Kelly, Race Rocks
Sloop Leonede, Allen, Race Rocks
Canoe Victoria, Frain, New Westminster
Schr Saucy, Last, Devon, Race Rocks
Dec 31.—Schr Bellevue, Maddox, San Juan
Schr Surprise, McKay, N W Coast
Schr Thames, Ogilvie, Nanaimo
Schr Mary Anne, Jones, Race Rocks
Sloop Petrel, Taylor, Port Townsend
Schr Iro, Sullivan, Race Rocks
Schr H C Page, Oberg, Port Townsend
Schr Royal Charlie, Eldin, Race Rocks

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Governor's Proclamation.

WHEREAS, under and by virtue of an Act of Parliament, made and passed in the 21st and 22d years of the Reign of her Majesty Queen Victoria, entitled an Act to provide for the "Government of British Columbia," and by a Commission under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, I, JAMES DOUGLAS, have been appointed Governor of the said Colony, and have been authorized by Proclamation under the Public Seal of the said Colony, to make laws, institutions, and ordinances, for the peace, order and good government of the same, and

WHEREAS, the Port of New Westminster is the only Port of Entry for goods in British Columbia—

And whereas, many persons have imported goods into British Columbia across the southern boundary thereof, contrary to law—

And whereas, it is expedient that all persons importing goods into British Columbia across the said boundary should be notified that such importation is contrary to law, and can be permitted only pending the completion of the communications in British Columbia—

And whereas, the collection of the Customs duties is rendered very expensive by the importation of goods across the southern boundary aforesaid, and it is expedient to impose a fine on such importation, to meet the additional cost of collection—

Now these are to give notice,
1. That no goods, wares, animals, or merchandise, shall be imported into British Columbia, which shall not have been entered at New Westminster aforesaid, unless the duties, tolls, and fines hereinafter specified, shall have been first paid to some duly qualified officer of customs, and such officer shall have first granted to the importer a permit on behalf of such goods.

2. The duties and tolls aforesaid shall be as follows:

A. The duties at present imposed by virtue of the Proclamations of the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, and the twentieth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

B. For every fifty pounds weight avoirdupois of such goods, wares, or merchandise, (and so in proportion for a greater or less quantity than fifty pounds weight of goods), one shilling; miners' packs, carried by the owners and not exceeding thirty pounds weight avoirdupois, for each man's load, being exempt from such duty as aforesaid.

C. For every ton of such goods, wares, or merchandise, twelve shillings.

3. In addition to the aforesaid duties and tolls, a fine equivalent to three per cent. on the market value of such goods, wares, animals, or merchandise, shall be paid to such officer of Customs—such market value to be calculated upon the market value of the goods, wares, animals or merchandise, at the place of collection.

4. Any person evading, or attempting to evade, the payment of any of the duties, tolls, or fines aforesaid, shall be fined treble the amount of the duties, tolls, or fines, or any sum not exceeding One Hundred Pounds, at the discretion of the Magistrate.

5. Any penalty under this Act may be recovered and enforced before any Magistrate in British Columbia in a summary way.

6. This Proclamation may be cited as the "Southern Boundary Act, 1860."

Issued under the Public Seal of the said Colony, at Victoria, Vancouver Island, this twenty-second day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty, and in the twenty-fourth year of Her Majesty's reign, by me, JAMES DOUGLAS.

By His Excellency's command,
WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

GGD SAVE THE QUEEN.

AUCTION SALE

—OF—

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THE PROPERTY OF

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—OF—

Hudson's Bay Company Fort and other property.

FIRST.—Twenty-five per cent of the purchase money to be paid upon the day of sale, and the balance thereof at any time within TWO YEARS of the day of sale, with one per cent per month interest thereon, payable quarterly for one year from the day of sale, and one and one-half per cent per month interest, payable quarterly for the second year.

SECOND.—All taxes and assessments which shall be imposed upon or in respect of the lands sold, must be paid when due by the purchaser.

THIRD.—Falling compliance with each and all of the above conditions, all previous partial payments will be forfeited, and the land will revert to the Hudson's Bay Company.

FOURTH.—Conveyances in due form will be executed, on compliance with the above-mentioned conditions, without charge to the purchaser.

FIFTH.—Parties purchasing buildings on or partly on the street, must remove the same within thirty days, so as not to obstruct the streets.

SIXTH.—Parties purchasing the buildings and not the lots on which they stand must remove the same within thirty days.

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FIRST SEMESTRIAL REPORT.

CASH RECEIVED:

Subscriptions of members.....\$558 00

Donations from members and others..... 218 70

Board, &c., from paying patients..... 48 00

Total Cash received.....\$824 70

Expenses for six months..... 567 03

Balance on hand..... 257 67

Number of members..... 114

Number of patients admitted..... 4

Sick days, aggregate..... 73

do do average..... 18

Patients remaining..... 1

Number of deaths..... 0

J. B. TIMMERMAN,
Secretary, pro tem.

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